

**ABBAY ACADEMIES TRUST**  
**Executive Headteacher: Mrs S J Moore**

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Dear Parents/Carers

As I write this letter to you, it seems snow has also been sent to try us! Still, this is nothing we can't take in our Abbey Academies Trust stride. Today I have sent some staff and children home, due to the snowy conditions and where they live, in order to keep them safe. Thankfully we have not had to close school for our vulnerable and keyworker children.

The main reason for me writing this letter is to say a huge well done to all of you who have been supporting your children working at home. Thank you once again for the continued positive comments you have made regarding the quality of the online learning. We also continue to take on board any feedback which you give us. We hope you feel that we have been able to support you with any technological issues, including getting devices to you on loan if needed. As ever, I am incredibly proud of the staff who are working with enthusiasm to ensure our children still receive high quality learning. It goes without saying that I am also in awe of our fabulous children working so hard at home.

A massive well done to the amazing children and staff in school right now. Whatever the weather the children are bouncing into the playground each morning ready to learn with great energy and sparkle.

Some of you have informed us that your children have filled their exercise books already so every Friday morning we will place boxes of exercise books outside the main front door at Bourne Abbey between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 p.m. as we did during the last school closure. We will monitor these arrangements to ensure we can socially distance and keep everybody safe.

We have been incredibly impressed that at least 90% of children have engaged with their home learning. Senior Leaders will be in touch next week if we feel any families need support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any worries or concerns about home learning, we do totally appreciate it can be a challenge and we are here to help. The teachers have obviously been communicating with their children through Seesaw but I would like to remind you to let school know if you think your child would benefit from a telephone conversation.

As ever I will continue to keep in touch and monitor carefully any further Government and Public Health England directives and guidance.

Take care and stay safe.



Mrs S J Moore  
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